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PATENT**REMARKS****Allowable claims**

Claims 1-8 and 13-16 have been allowed.

35 U.S.C. §101

Claims 9-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the Examiner suggests that the invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. For the purpose of expediting the allowed claims, Claims 9-12 have been canceled herein. Applicants therefore respectfully request the Examiner to issue a Notice of Allowance for Claims 1-8 and 13-16.

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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the applicable objections and rejections have been overcome and that pending Claims 1-8 and 13-16 are in condition for allowance. Applicants therefore respectfully request an early issuance of a Notice of Allowance in this case. If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (714) 669-1261.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0221.

Respectfully submitted,

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